

## Department of Planning and Budget 2009 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** SB936

House of Origin    ☐   Introduced        ☐   Substitute        ☐   Engrossed  
Second House       ☐   In Committee   ☒   Substitute        ☐   Enrolled

**2. Patron:**        Cuccinelli

**3. Committee:** Technology Oversight and Government Activities

**4. Title:**        **Expand searchable database website for state payments and purchases.**

**5. Summary:** The House substitute bill requires the Auditor of Public Accounts (APA), the Virginia Information Technologies Agency (VITA), and the Department of Accounts (DOA) to develop, maintain, and annually review data standards for use by all agencies for payments and purchases of goods and services. The bill requires the APA to expand its searchable database to include payment, purchasing, and strategic planning information. The bill requires that, on or before July 1, 2009, the Governor, Secretary of Technology, and Chief Information Officer (CIO) provide the searchable database as a hyperlinked icon within the Online Services section of the Official Commonwealth of Virginia Home Page. The bill also calls for the Department of General Services (DGS), VITA, and DOA to submit to the Information Technology Investment Board (ITIB) a standard for payment and purchasing information by December 1, 2009. It further calls for DGS and VITA to undertake to use these standards in their existing procurement system upon approval by the Information Technology Investment Board and require their use by all agencies and institutions by July 1, 2010.

**6. Fiscal Impact:** Minimal.

**7. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

**8. Fiscal implications:** The House substitute bill requires APA, VITA, and DOA to develop and maintain standard accounting information for use by all agencies and institutions for payments and purchases made. The standard information must be presented to the ITIB for approval as a statewide standard. The costs for each of the three agencies are not known at this time. However, each agency expects its respective costs to be minimal and absorbable within existing resources.

The substitute bill may have an impact on all state agencies to implement and report the new standard accounting information to APA, especially if system changes are needed. However, the bill only requires the new information to be provided “to the extent practicable,” so the impact is expected to be minimal.

APA will incur increased demands on their resources to expand their database, but the agency expects to be able to absorb any costs within their existing appropriations. APA anticipates the additional data requirements will call for increased storage capacity, but the agency has additional storage available to handle the need. APA also has sufficient staff to handle the

database expansion and modification as required by the bill.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** All state agencies and institutions that process their own payments and procurements.

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

**11. Other Comments:** None.

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